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- The hackers bombarding the city of Orlando, Florida with cyber attacks, are threatening the city's mayor and police officers, according to WFTV 9 Orlando. (See item 40)
- A federal cyber emergency team issued a warning that said the most popular Siemens industrial control systems are vulnerable to cyber attack, H Security reports. (See item 49)

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Energy Sector

Current Electricity Sector Threat Alert Levels: <u>Physical:</u> LOW, <u>Cyber:</u> LOW Scale: LOW, GUARDED, ELEVATED, HIGH, SEVERE [Source: ISAC for the Electricity Sector (ES-ISAC) - [http://www.esisac.com]

1. July 7, Reuters – (Montana) Exxon says Montana pipeline repairs to take weeks. Exxon Mobil is working on a plan to repair and restart a ruptured Montana pipeline that spilled up to 1,000 barrels of crude into the Yellowstone River, but restoration is not expected for at least 2 weeks, an executive said July 6. "Restoration of the line is something we'll look at separately," said the president of Exxon Mobil Pipeline Company. "It's not something that's going to happen in the next day, or week, or couple of weeks." He said the company's best estimate is 750 barrels leaked, but it calculated a "worse outcome" to come up with the 1,000-barrel figure "to make sure we did not underestimate the impact." While Exxon had said publicly that it took 30

minutes to close valves in the line to stop oil left inside from leaking, the president said July 6 that company told the Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration it took 49 minutes to shut them.

Source: http://www.baltimoresun.com/business/automotive/sns-rt-us-oil-leak-montanatre76608j-20110707,0,3848013.story

2. *July 6, KOAT 7 Albuquerque* – (New Mexico) **Highway 550 reopens after propane leak.** Highway 550 in Sandoval County, New Mexico, reopened just before 9 a.m. July 6 after being closed because of a leaking propane tanker truck. The closure started at mile marker 10, which is west of Highway 528. The tanker truck was not involved in any kind of accident. The driver of the truck stopped after smelling gas and then found the leak. Crews worked quickly to empty the tanker truck and reopened the road shortly after. The cause of the leak remains under investigation.

Source: http://www.koat.com/r/28460793/detail.html

3. July 6, Marin Independent Journal – (California) Ten homes evacuated in Kentfield after gas main rupture. Ten houses were evacuated in Kentfield, California, after a Pacific Gas and Electric Co. (PG&E) contract crew punctured a 1.25-inch underground gas main July 6 at 35 Lancaster Avenue. The line broke shortly before 9:45 a.m., causing natural gas to spew for more than 5 hours as workers attempted to squeeze off the leak. The leak was finally stopped and residents were permitted to return home at 3:15 p.m. after workers welded a metal fitting to clamp down on the line, a PG&E spokeswoman said. The line was ruptured while the crew was installing a new gas main. Stopping the flow of gas was made difficult by a 2-inch casing that hindered access to the line, the spokeswoman said. Sheriff's deputies and Kentfield firefighters assisted with the evacuation and fire prevention response.

Source: http://www.marinij.com/marinnews/ci_18418984?source=most_emailed

4. July 6, South Boston Gazette-Virginian – (Virginia) Hundreds left without power after Halifax storms; dry spell goes on. Storms brought thunder and lightning, high winds and rain to parts of Halifax County, Virginia, July 4 and left thousands without power. A total of 688 Dominion Virginia Power customers in Halifax County lost power, according to a Dominion Power spokesman. Statewide, more than 150,000 Dominion Power customers lost power due to storms that hit July 3 and July 4. The spokesman said 12,000 customers statewide were still without power as of 11 a.m. July 5, and 300 bucket trucks were engaged in power restoration activities in the affected areas of the commonwealth.

Source: http://www.gazettevirginian.com/index.php/news/34-news/3473-hundreds-left-without-power-after-halifax-storms-dry-spell-goes-on

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Chemical Industry Sector

5. July 7, KXTV 10 Sacramento – (California) Sac Fire: Budget cuts delayed response at fire. Budget cuts in the Sacramento City Fire Department (SCFD) are now being felt on the fire lines. On July 6, firefighters battled a tractor-trailer fire in South Sacramento with half its hazmat companies gone. The fire started at 8 a.m. at a yard owned by Mike and Son's Truck Repair near Elder Creek Road and Florin-Perkins. The tractor trailer that caught fire was stored in the yard for a hazardous materials cleaning company called Clean Harbors. Because there were 40 different chemicals in the truck/trailer, the incident required a specialized hazardous materials response, and more than 500 people, and 50 buildings were evacuated. A SCFD fire captain noted that a number of substances mixed together and created vapors. The week of July 4, SCFD was forced to close one of it's two hazmat companies because of budget cuts. City fire officials said that closure had three major effects on the incident response: a 1-hour delay, an expanded evacuation area, and Roseville's hazmat team being called in to assist. At least three people went to the hospital after breathing in the fumes. Four firefighters were treated on scene for heat exhaustion. Additional hazmat teams were called in to contain any chemical runoff. There's still no word what exactly what chemicals were inside the trailer or what started the fire.

Source: http://www.news10.net/news/local/article/144637/2/Crews-battled-Sacramento-chemical-fire-with-half-resources

- 6. *July 7, KOCO 5 Oklahoma City* (Oklahoma) **Oklahoma highway reopened after chemical spill.** Authorities said a highway in northwestern Oklahoma reopened July 7 after an overnight chemical spill. The Oklahoma Highway Patrol closed a portion of U.S. Highway 270 between Fort Supply and Woodward about 7:15 p.m. July 6 after the spill of mercaptan, the odor in natural gas. It took a cleanup crew from Guthrie several hours to travel to the site. Troopers didn't completely reopen the highway until shortly after 2 a.m. July 7. There were no immediate reports of injuries. Source: http://www.koco.com/r/28471135/detail.html
- 7. July 7, Fort Collins Coloradoan (Colorado) Chemical spill snarls traffic near I-25. Mulberry Street at Interstate 25, east of Fort Collins, Colorado, was closed July 6 as firefighters investigated and cleaned up a chemical spill at the interstate overpass. Firefighters said a 200- to 300-gallon tank of liquid, likely a "low-toxic" herbicide, fell from a truck, spilled and ran down the road. Firefighters spent about an hour conducting field tests to determine the chemical before proceeding with a clean up. A Poudre Fire Authority (PFA) spokesman said there was little risk to the public from the spill, but firefighters wanted to "make double sure" before letting people nearby. He said the PFA, Colorado Department of Transportation, Larimer County Department of Health and Environment, and Colorado State Patrol's hazardous materials unit cooperated in the clean up.

 Source: http://www.coloradoan.com/article/20110707/NEWS01/107070340/In-brief
- 8. July 7, Dow Jones Newswires (West Virginia) U.S. probe faults DuPont for chemical leaks at W. Virginia plant. Federal investigators July 7 faulted DuPont for chemical leaks at a plant in Belle, West Virginia, suggesting the company should examine "all facets of its safety culture" and could have fixed problems that led to a worker's death. In a formal report, the U.S. Chemical Safety Board (CSB) faulted

DuPont for maintenance, inspection and training deficiencies related to three leaks at the Belle plant during a 33-hour period in January 2010. The findings echoed those of the U.S. Occupational Safety and Health Administration, which last year fined DuPont \$43,000 and cited it for serious violations. The CSB report released internal documents that showed that even though DuPont engineers knew for decades that the equipment at the Belle facility could be safer, the company failed to heed their recommendations. The safety board described several near misses, but focused on a January 23, 2010 incident that led to an employee's death. The worker was exposed to phosgene — a World War I choking agent used in plastics and pesticides — leaking from a corroded hose. Investigators found that on the same day as the Saturday accident, plant employees noticed the outer lining of a phosgene hose had frayed, but decided to wait until Monday to tell supervisors. The CSB said plant managers didn't have a system for reporting near misses on weekends. Investigators also said the braided steel hoses didn't meet DuPont's own specifications. DuPont also missed warning signs foreshadowing the other two accidents — which involved the accidental releases of potentially fatal methyl chloride and sulfuric acid — though no workers reported being exposed after those incidents.

Source: http://www.nasdaq.com/aspx/stock-market-news-story.aspx?storyid=201107071014dowjonesdjonline000414&title=us-probe-faults-dupont-for-chemical-leaks-at-w-virginia-plant

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Nuclear Reactors, Materials and Waste Sector

- 9. July 7, Associated Press (New Mexico) Nuclear weapons lab reopens as fire danger fades. Smoke still hung in the air from a northern New Mexico wildfire that came dangerously close to the nation's premier nuclear weapons laboratory, but life was returning to normal July 7 as thousands of employees showed up for their first day of work in more than a week. Although the threat to Los Alamos National Laboratory and the town that surrounds it has passed, the largest fire in New Mexico's history continued to burn in remote areas. The fire, which began last month, had forced the closure of the lab along with the evacuation of thousands of residents in nearby communities. Lab officials said they have a "methodical and careful" plan to resume operations suspended by the blaze known as the Las Conchas fire. The lab had some 10,000 experiments running that were put on hold because of the fire and the evacuations. Officials have been inspecting buildings to ensure they were safe for workers to return. Only a few required cleanup due to things such as rodent infestation. Source: http://abcnews.go.com/US/wireStory?id=14013914&singlePage=true
- 10. *July 7, Reuters* (International) **Tepco halts cooling system at nuclear plant after sparks-Kyodo.** The operator of Japan's Fukushima Daini nuclear power plant, located near the tsunami-crippled Daiichi plant, July 7 halted the cooling system at one of its reactors after electrical sparks were detected, Kyodo news agency reported. Tokyo Electric Power, the plant's operator, expects to be able to restore the cooling system at

the Daini plant's No.1 reactor before the end of July 7, Kyodo said. The Daini plant is located several miles along the Pacific coast from the Daiichi plant, damaged severely by the powerful earthquake and tsunami that struck Japan March 11. The Daini plant suffered less damage from the disasters and is currently in cold shutdown. Source: http://www.reuters.com/article/2011/07/07/japan-nuclear-daini-idUST9E7HS03J20110707

- 11. July 7, Omaha World-Herald (Nebraska) **OPPD reinstalls nuke plant dam.** The Omaha Public Power District (OPPD) in Nebraska is reinstalling the plastic, waterfilled dam that — until bursting — had kept Missouri River floodwaters away from the buildings that house its nuclear reactor. After the Aqua Dam ruptured June 26, water flowed around the Fort Calhoun Nuclear Station near Blair to a depth of more than 2 feet. However, OPPD officials said, the water did not reach the reactor or other critical areas because additional barriers, including sandbags, were in place. A utility spokesman said July 6 the Aqua Dam would be in place by July 9. The utility has not experienced any significant difficulties in reinstalling the barrier, he said. If completed by July 9, it will have been out of commission about 2 weeks. The spokesman said the Agua Dam ruptured after an employee driving a Bobcat loader brushed a wheel up against it. The Fort Calhoun reactor, located about 20 miles north of Omaha, had been shut down for maintenance in early April, and has remained idle because of the flooding. The Aqua Dam would be considered protective to 1,010 feet, he said. Federally mandated protections are in place to keep the plant safe to 1,014 feet, and additional backup systems should kick into gear should water get higher, the OPPD and Nuclear Regulatory Commission officials have said.
 - Source: http://www.omaha.com/article/20110707/NEWS01/707079880
- 12. July 6, Nuclear Regulatory Commission (South Carolina) NRC begins special inspection at Oconee nuclear plant. The Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) dispatched a special inspection team July 5 to the Oconee nuclear power plant, operated by Duke Energy, in Seneca, South Carolina, to evaluate an issue related to the plant's standby shutdown facility, which is intended for use when regular and emergency reactor cooling systems are not available. On June 24, Oconee plant employees determined testing on the standby shutdown facility pressurizer heater breakers was not successful, and the breakers were declared operable but degraded. The shutdown facility is designed to be used for reactor cooling during certain accident scenarios, including fires and severe storms where other cooling systems might be unavailable or inoperable. The NRC's special inspection team will determine the facts surrounding the degraded condition of the facility, and evaluate Duke Energy's response. The team will also assess Duke's revised operating procedures related to the facility as well as operators' training and capabilities to implement those procedures. The special inspection began July 5 and is expected to continue for about 1 week. The NRC will issue a report within 45 days of the completion of the inspection.

Source: http://www.nucpros.com/content/nrc-begins-special-inspection-oconee-nuclear-plant-inspection-charter-included

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Critical Manufacturing Sector

13. *July* 6, *WREX* 13 *Rockford* – (Illinois) **Mechanical failure stops work at Belvidere Chrysler plant.** Workers at the Chrysler assembly plant in Belvidere, Illinois, had the day off July 6 and July 7. A company spokeswoman said first shift workers July 7 did have to report to work. A mechanical failure at the plant stopped the assembly line and kept the second shift from working July 6. The problem was expected to be fixed in the near future.

Source: http://www.wrex.com/story/15037728/mechanical-failure-stops-assembly-line-at-belvidere-chrysler-plant

14. July 5, Associated Press – (Pennsylvania) AK Steel furnace in Pennsylvania damaged. AK Steel said July 5 that a furnace at its Butler, Pennsylvania facility was damage July 1 when molten steel breached the furnace shell. Steel production at the plant resumed July 2 using other electric furnaces at the plant. Workers have begun repairing the furnace, but the company said it does not yet have a cost estimate for the repairs, or a completion date. AK Steel said it does not expect any impact to customer shipments from the incident. The company performs electrical and stainless steel melting and casting, hot and cold rolling, and finishing operations at its 1,300-acre Butler facility, which is an hour north of Pittsburgh.

Source: http://www.forbes.com/feeds/ap/2011/07/05/business-materials-us-ak-steel-damage_8550462.html

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Defense Industrial Base Sector

15. *July* 6, *InformationWeek* – (National) **Geek swap: DOD, private sector IT workers switch.** The Department of Defense (DOD) launched a program that exchanges IT workers with the private sector in an effort to share technology expertise, InformationWeek reported July 6. The Information Technology Exchange Program, currently in pilot, allows the department to trade civilian employees with private-sector organizations to share best practices and collaboration in particular IT areas, including service-oriented architectures, cloud computing, enterprise architecture, mobile devices, and cybersecurity, according to the DOD.

Source: http://www.informationweek.com/news/government/leadership/231001065

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Banking and Finance Sector

16. July 7, Orange County Register – (California) 'Drifter bandit' strikes for second time this week. A serial robber known as the "drifter bandit" struck again July 6, authorities said, robbing a bank in Laguna Niguel, California, a day after holding up a branch in San Juan Capistrano. A man entered the Citibank branch in the 30000 block of Golden Lantern about 4:30 p.m., demanded cash from a teller, and left with an undetermined amount of money, an Orange County Sheriff's Department investigator said. Witnesses believed the man fled on foot to an apartment complex, the investigator said, but authorities were unable to locate him. No weapon was seen, and no injuries were reported. The "drifter bandit" – so named due to his unkempt appearance – is believed to have robbed a Chase bank branch in San Juan Capistrano May 3, a U.S. Bank branch in Dana Point May 26, and a Farmers & Merchants Bank branch in San Juan Capistrano July 5. He reportedly carried a handgun during the second San Juan Capistrano robbery.

Source: http://www.ocregister.com/news/branch-307312-capistrano-san.html

17. July 7, Associated Press – (Louisiana; International) Metairie man pleads guilty to involvement in international counterfeiting scam. A Metairie, Louisiana man pleaded guilty July 6 to having counterfeit postal money orders and securities. According to court documents, since at least September 2009, the man has been a part of an international ring of counterfeiters who distribute fake securities and monetary documents, including traveler's checks, cashier's checks, and money orders, to people throughout the United States through a fraudulent "Mystery Shopper" program. The program involved contacting and, ultimately, hiring unsuspecting "employees" who sign up via e-mail. Employees were required to receive counterfeit securities and cash them. The man was responsible for sending each person on the list at least one of the counterfeit securities. Court documents said that when the man was arrested, he had hundreds of counterfeit cashier's checks.

Source:

 $\frac{http://www.therepublic.com/view/story/6ad25664a9664c018b860d8aa4975321/LA-Counterfeiter-Pleads/$

18. July 6, WVIT 30 New Britain – (National) Police make 2 arrests in connection with **ATM skimming.** Police arrested a New London, Connecticut man with an extensive criminal history July 6 in connection with ATM skimming, and a New York man believed to be behind dozens of skimming incidents. Darien police said the suspect has an extensive criminal history in Virginia, New York, and Connecticut, and that he committed crimes in Massachusetts, Connecticut, and Rhode Island similar to the one he is accused of in Darien. Police took the man into custody and charged him with two counts of conspiracy to commit identity theft, unlawful reproduction of a credit card, fraudulent use of an automated teller machine, criminal attempt to commit larceny, and unlawful use of a scanning device. With the assistance of the Connecticut Financial Crimes Task Force and the Secret Service, Darien police also identified a 40-year-old of Levittown, New York, as another suspect. On July 6, Darien police executed an arrest warrant and arrested the man, who they believe is responsible for 26 similar incidents in Massachusetts, Rhode Island, and Connecticut. He was brought to Darien police headquarters and charged with two counts of conspiracy, two counts of identity theft, unlawful reproduction of a credit card, fraudulent use of an automated teller

machine, and unlawful use of a scanning device.

Source: http://www.nbcconnecticut.com/news/local/Police-Make-2-Arrests-in-Connection-With-ATM-Skimming-125101774.html

19. July 6, South Florida Business Journal – (Florida) Four charged in reverse mortgage scheme. Three loan officers and a title agent were charged in Florida July 6 with defrauding seniors and financial institutions in a \$2.6 million reverse mortgage scheme. The U.S. Attorney for the Southern District of Florida filed conspiracy to commit wire fraud charges against the four suspects. The charges carry up to 30 years in prison plus a \$1 million fine. Federal agents allege that while the three loan officers worked at 1st Continental Mortgage in Fort Lauderdale and Boca Raton in 2009 and 2010, they engaged in a scheme that stole from borrowers, reverse mortgage lender Genworth Financial Home Equity, and the Federal Housing Authority, which insures loans. It is alleged the three fraudulently inflated property appraisal values so borrowers would get reverse mortgages without having real equity. Authorities also claim that when the title agent closed the loans, she wired the proceeds to herself instead of paying off the borrowers' existing mortgages. She allegedly filed fraudulent documents showing the existing mortgages had been paid off. Officials also claimed she sent the other three defendants \$988,086 in loan proceeds for their personal benefit. It is alleged the four then tried to cover up their actions by creating fictitious offers to buy the properties in short sales.

Source: http://www.bizjournals.com/southflorida/news/2011/07/06/four-charged-in-reverse-mortgage-scheme.html?page=all

20. July 6, Reuters – (National) F.D.I.C. rule to allow seizure of executives' pay if firms fail. Federal regulators will be able to take back up to 2 years of Wall Street executives' pay if they are found responsible for the collapse of a major financial firm, under a plan approved July 6. The provision is part of a broader Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC) rule laying out the order in which creditors will be paid during a government liquidation of a large, failing financial firm. The Dodd-Frank financial oversight law gives financial agencies the power to recoup executives' pay, but bankers complained regulators were taking it too far. The FDIC's final rule provided some relief by clarifying "negligence" as the standard. The agency noted it was not using the more narrow standard of "gross negligence." The liquidation authority is a major part of the Dodd-Frank law. The idea is to preserve economic stability by unwinding troubled firms, but in a way that is less politically explosive than taxpayer-financed bailouts and less traumatic to the markets than bankruptcies like the Lehman Brothers collapse of 2008. At the top of the list of what will be paid off first under the new resolution system are any debts the FDIC or receiver took on as part of the cost of seizing a firm, administrative expenses, money owed to the U.S. Treasury, and money owed to employees for things such as retirement benefits.

Source: http://www.nytimes.com/2011/07/07/business/07fdic.html

21. *July 6, Reuters* – (National) **FDIC sues former Indymac Bank CEO Michael Perry.** The Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC) sued a former IndyMac Bank chief executive officer (CEO) to recover over \$600 million in damages and costs related to residential loans made by the lender, according to court documents. The

FDIC said the CEO "negligently" allowed the production of a pool of more than \$10 billion in "risky," residential loans intended for sale to a secondary market. These loans were made between at least April-October 2007. The lawsuit was filed in the district court of California. The lending caused IndyMac, a large California mortgage lender that failed in July 2008, and its receiver to incur damages of more than \$600 million, court documents showed. Last July, the FDIC also sued to recover \$300 million from former executives of IndyMac.

 $\begin{tabular}{ll} Source: $\underline{http://www.reuters.com/article/2011/07/07/fdicindymac-idUSL3E7I705B20110707} \end{tabular}$

22. July 6, Houston Chronicle – (Texas) Houston couple, daughter plead guilty in mortgage scam. A Houston, Texas man, his wife, and his daughter each face 5 years in prison and a \$250,000 fine after pleading guilty in a multi-million-dollar mortgage fraud scheme, federal officials said July 6. The three family members admitted they paid people to act as straw borrowers for loans to purchase homes that they had no intention of paying back, officials with the U.S. attorney's office in Houston said. More than 70 homes were part of the scheme, officials said. They provided false information about the bogus buyers to the lenders, and funneled some of the proceeds to themselves, authorities said. They also agreed to pay restitution if ordered by the court, officials said.

Source: http://www.chron.com/disp/story.mpl/metropolitan/7642578.html

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Transportation Sector

23. July 7, Washington Post – (Maryland) Man wielding hammer, shotgun attacks speed-camera vehicle on BW Parkway. Maryland State Police (MSP) closed down the Baltimore-Washington Parkway for more than 3 hours July 6 as they searched for a man who was carrying a shotgun and hammer and smashed the windshield of a Jeep SUV that had speed cameras mounted on it. Nobody was injured. As of July 7, police were still searching for the man, who was described as wearing a plaid, possibly flannel, shirt on an 87-degree day. A state contractor was inside the Jeep, which was parked on the side of the BW Parkway about 11:30 a.m. near a construction zone at Route 195. The cameras were supposed to monitor speeding near the work area. A man came out of a nearby strip of woods wielding a shotgun and a hammer. He began tapping on the rear of the Jeep with the shotgun, a MSP spokesman said. "The suspect then came to the front of the Jeep and began yelling incoherently and smashing the windshield with the hammer," he said. The windshield shattered, and the worker got out of the car and crouched by the guardrail for cover. The man with the hammer and gun then left. "The suspect disappeared into the wooded area," the spokesman said. Police described him as white, 60 to 65 years old, 5-foot-8 and 150 pounds, with gray hair and wearing a red and blue checked shirt and blue jeans. Local officers on foot, canine units and helicopters assisted state police in the search. The parkway reopened about 3 p.m.

Source: http://www.washingtonpost.com/local/man-wielding-hammer-shotgun-attacks-speed-camera-vehicle-on-bw-parkway/2011/07/06/gIQA4OvA1H_story.html

24. July 7, WTHR 13 Indianapolis – (Indiana) Train derails in Shelby County. State police and Shelby County emergency personnel were investigating a train derailment just west of Morristown, Indiana. It happened July 6 on tracks over the Big Blue River situated parallel to US 52. A CSX Railroad spokesman said the train was traveling from Cincinnati, Ohio to Indianapolis, Indiana. The train had two locomotives and 94 freight cars. Preliminary reports said that 9 cars had derailed, and 5 of them were in the river, according to the spokesman. It appears the train bridge over the river had collapsed. There were no injuries reported. The spokesman said CSX had crews en route to the scene to recover the train and to work with local officials to assess any environmental impact. The train's engineer said as he approached the bridge, he noticed one of the rails on the bridge was bent. He said he applied brakes, and most of the locomotive made it over the bridge without derailment. However, some of the wheels of the locomotive left the track.

Source: http://www.wthr.com/story/15037103/train-derails-in-shelby-county

25. July 7, KMBC 9 Kansas City – (Missouri) Flooding extends Amtrak disruption between KC, St. Louis. Amtrak has extended the suspension of one of its two daily round trips between St. Louis, Missouri and Kansas City, Missouri because of continued flooding along the Missouri River. The suspension took effect July 2 and had been scheduled to expire at midweek. But the passenger train service said July 6 the change will remain in effect at least through July 9. Amtrak has halted its westbound morning train from St. Louis, and the eastbound afternoon train from Kansas City. Those are trains 311 and 316 of a route called the Missouri River Runner. The morning 313 train from Kansas City, and the afternoon 314 train from St. Louis will remain in service. The adjustments are needed to accommodate Union Pacific trains that use some of the same track, which is owned by Union Pacific.

Source: http://www.kmbc.com/r/28471107/detail.html

26. July 6, UPI – (Arizona) Storm leaves Phoenix with coating of dust. Emergency workers surveyed the damage July 6 after a massive dust storm blew through the Phoenix, Arizona area. The cloud of dust, blown by winds that gusted up to 60 mph July 5, appeared to be about 100 miles across and extended several thousand feet into the air, The Arizona Republic reported. A meteorologist with the National Weather Service said the layer of dust left by the storm was the heaviest he has seen in three decades in Phoenix. The storm moved up from the south, reaching the metropolitan area at 7:30 p.m. July 5. At its height, visibility was no more than a quarter of a mile and at times down to zero. The wind downed trees and power lines. Several hundred homes and businesses were still without electricity July 6. Phoenix Sky Harbor Airport was completely closed for 45 minutes July 5. Some flights were diverted, and at least two canceled. The dust triggered fire alarms at the airport and elsewhere. The fire department reported 700 calls. Fire officials said a blaze in Tempe that began when the wind brought down a live electrical wire was quickly put out. The meteorologist said a long period in the area with no rain was responsible for the storm's size and intensity.

Source: http://www.upi.com/Top_News/US/2011/07/06/Storm-leaves-Phoenix-with-coating-of-dust/UPI-30921309933171

27. July 6, KETK 56 Tyler – (Texas) No one injured during train derailment near Mineola. More than 20 train cars left the track July 6 during a derailment near Mineola, Texas. Union Pacific Railroad officials said that no one was injured, and no hazardous materials were spilled during the derailment about 7 miles east of Mineola. Twenty-three cars were "on the ground" after the incident that occurred between 3:30 and 4 a.m. on the portion of track running along County Road 2790. A spokesman for Union Pacific's mechanical department said the cause of the derailment had not been determined. He said the cars, which began derailing from the fourth car after the engine, included sand hoppers, empty tankers and carloads of paper. "Nothing hazardous" was in any of the cars, he said.

Source: http://www.ketknbc.com/news/no-one-injured-during-train-derailment-near-mineola

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Postal and Shipping Sector

28. July 6, Upper St. Clair Patch – (Pennsylvania) SUV crashes through FedEx Office store, injures mother and baby. A mother and her baby were transported to the hospital after an SUV crashed through the window of the FedEx Office store on Washington Road in Upper St. Clair, Pennsylvania, July 6. Bethel Park police said the unidentified motorist, driving a Jeep Grand Cherokee, accidentally hit the gas instead of the brakes. The mother was with her baby inside the store making copies at the time of the incident, and both are expected to be okay, police said. The mother received some cuts, and some blood was seen on the floor of the Kinko's. The driver of the vehicle was not transported to the hospital. No charges are expected to be filed against her. The FedEx Office closed for a few hours to clean up and reopened that evening. Source: http://upperstclair.patch.com/articles/mother-and-6-week-old-baby-transported-to-hospital-after-accident-at-kinkos-fedex-office#photo-6895571

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Agriculture and Food Sector

29. *July 7, Arizona Republic* – (Arizona; National) **Arizona fires, hay costs crippling ranchers.** Hay prices, drought, and wildfires in eastern and southern Arizona have left ranchers hard-pressed to feed livestock. Ranchers paid \$110 to \$130 for a ton of alfalfa hay in January, but by May were paying \$215 to \$240, according to the state director for the U.S. Department of Agriculture's National Agricultural Statistics Service (NASS). Some hay farmers have cleared some alfalfa land to make room for cotton production due to rising commodity prices, leading to scarcity of feed and rising prices, he said. A June 30 NASS report showed a roughly 11 percent drop in Arizona hay

production from 320,000 acres in 2010 to 285,000 in 2011. Although long-running drought conditions in Arizona have not directly affected commercial hay farming, which is done mostly via irrigation, it has affected ranchers' pastures, increasing demand for hay. A 2011 outlook report by the Natural Resources Conservation Service said Arizona would have only 64 percent of its normal forage in 2011. Wildfires led to the displacement of roughly 18,000 animals from grazing lands, and Arizona ranchers affected by the fires are looking for possible grounds in Colorado, Utah, and New Mexico. The Arizona Farm Bureau is collecting hay donations from local hay farmers to feed displaced livestock, and money to assist with the process. Source:

http://www.azcentral.com/arizonarepublic/business/articles/2011/07/07/20110707arizona-fires-hay-costs-crippling-ranchers.html

- 30. July 7, KSAT 12 San Antonio (Texas) Lone Star Bakery cited for more violations. Lone Star Bakery in China Grove, Texas, was facing almost \$200,000 in fines and penalties after federal investigators found several safety and health violations, KSAT 12 San Antonio reported July 7. The Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) cited Lone Star Bakery for 18 violations at its Plant Number 2 on U.S. Highway 87 East. The OSHA said the bakery did not make sure its employees participated in a safety management program. Tanks containing anhydrous ammonia were not properly protected by recognized engineering practices. The bakery did not have a detailed plan or training for emergency procedures, the OSHA reported. The bakery was cited 3 months previously after an employee suffered an amputation. A lawyer for the bakery issued a statement, saying the bakery intends to contest all the violations, and that the investigation stems from a minor ammonia leak that happened in 2005. The lawyer said the bakery was able to contain that leak without calling out a hazmat crew, and they were not notified of the other violations until July 6. Source: http://www.ksat.com/health/28470115/detail.html
- 31. *July 6, KTVB 7 Boise* (Idaho) **Pesticides blamed for illness in Canyon County.** Pesticides made almost one dozen people sick July 5 in Canyon County, Idaho. The Canyon County Sheriff's Office received a call around 11 p.m. from someone who reported a strange smell near the intersection of Victory Lane and Can-Ada. Next, the caller said he or she felt ill. While heading to the home, officials said they received reports that nine other people in the area were feeling sick from the same smell. Kuna, Ada County, and Canyon County firefighters were called in to help, as well as a hazmat crew from Melba. Crews determined the smell was most likely pesticides from a crop duster. Paramedics checked out 10 people on scene. No one was taken to the hospital.

 Source:

http://www.nwcn.com/home/?fId=125074554&fPath=/news/local&fDomain=10227

32. *July 6, WALA 10 Mobile* – (Florida) **Elderly woman crashes truck into Hardees.** A 94-year-old woman crashed her truck July 6 into the side of a Hardees restaurant in Pensacola, Florida. The vehicle punched a hole in the side of the building, slamming into ovens, and sending debris flying. The driver and a Hardees employee were injured when the truck went through the wall. Both suffered minor injuries. The collision also

snapped a nearby gas main, causing the entire area to be evacuated until the gas could be shut off.

Source: http://www.fox10tv.com/dpp/news/local_news/pensacola/elderly-woman-crashes-car-into-hardees

33. July 6, Daily Herd Network – (International) Vietnam culls 45,000 animals due to FMD. According to reports over the weekend of July 2 and 3, nearly 38,000 pigs had already been culled in Vietnam in attempts to control a foot-and-mouth disease (FMD) outbreak. The disease is reported to have infected 39 provinces. According to the head of Vietnam's Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development's animal health department (AHD), local producers and officials failed to manage areas with the greatest virus exposure, and did not destroy infected cattle as instructed, allowing the virus to spread quickly and broadly, vetsweb.com reported. According to the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Foreign Agricultural Service, Vietnam ranks about 6th in world pork production at 1.85 million metric tons. It stands at No. 12 in terms of U.S. pork exports (10,108 metric tons) and at No. 10 for U.S. pork variety meats (6,636 metric tons). The country comes in at No. 9 for global pork consumption. As for other animals impacted by the FMD outbreak, AHD officials report 5,000 buffaloes, 938 cows, and 329 goats have also been culled. AHD officials urged officials and producers within the affected provinces to implement disease-prevention programs, and organize vaccinations for the rest of 2011. It also has pushed for appropriate vaccine use, as FMD virus strains evolve continuously.

Source: http://www.dairyherd.com/bovine-vet/industry-news/Vietnam-culls-45000-animals-due-to-FMD-125040479.html?ref=479

34. July 5, KRDO 13 Colorado Springs – (Colorado) Equine herpes under control/restrictions lifted. The Colorado Department of Agriculture's State Veterinarian's office has released all hold and quarantine orders associated with the recent spread of Equine Herpes virus (EHV-1). Animal Health officials said in a statement released July 5 the disease is considered contained within Colorado, and there have been no new confirmed cases since May 20. Horses traveling into the state on or after July 9 will no longer need an import permit. Import requirements for horses entering Colorado will revert to those used before the outbreak. Those requirements are a health certificate issued within 30 days of an animal's arrival, and a negative Coggins test within the last 12 months. Colorado had nine confirmed cases of horses with EHV-1, sending ripples through the state's equine industry. Two horses that tested positive for EHV-1 were euthanized after showing severe neurological problems.

Source: http://www.krdo.com/news/28457237/detail.html

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Water Sector

35. *July 7, Bradenton Herald* – (Florida) **3.5 million gallons of sewage went into Manatee River.** About 3.5 million gallons of raw sewage escaped from a broken pipe

in Bradenton, Florida in June, a city official confirmed July 6. The morning of June 14, a 30-inch pipe fractured, sending a flood of sewage into the area around the city's wastewater plant, and through storm drains to the Manatee River. It took 13 hours of emergency repairs to fix the pipe. The pipe is now functioning correctly, said the director of the city of Bradenton Public Works & Utilities Department. The pipe erupted at the city's wastewater treatment plant, about a mile from a storm drain near Rossi Waterfront Park where the raw sewage poured into the Manatee River. The river was temporarily off-limits to recreational activity, but the incident caused no permanent damage to the environment, said the Bradenton's public information officer. The pipe carries sewage into the wastewater plant at 1710 First St. West. The plant takes in about 5 million gallons of sewage daily, and turns it all into non-potable waste water. A new ductile iron pipe was installed with a protective lining inside to prevent corrosion, the utilities department director said. The river was back to normal within 24 hours, according to information provided by the city.

 $\textbf{Source:} \ \underline{http://www.bradenton.com/2011/07/07/3328617/35-million-gallons-of-sewage-went.html}$

36. July 7, Asbury Park Press – (New Jersey) Wall water plant operating at half capacity due to piping problems. The New Jersey Water Supply Authority, which supplies the bulk of the water to the towns of Brielle, Sea Girt, Spring Lake, Spring Lake Heights, and Wall, is currently operating at half-capacity due to piping problems with the new ozone system. The manager of the authority's Manasquan Plant on Hospital Road in the Allenwood section of Wall said the problem was discovered July 1. The ozone system, which disinfects the water, was installed in April. The plant manager said the authority has the ability to change to another water system while they investigate the problem. He could not give a specific date he expected the work to be complete, but said it could be as early as the end of the week of July 4. In the meantime, the five towns that purchase water from the the authority have access to their own wells to meet the demand. One concern they have however, is diversion rights. "The DEP (New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection) only allows us to pump or divert a certain amount of water out of our wells, so we are monitoring closely how much we use," the superintendent of public works for Spring Lake Heights said. Wall has issued an advisory on their Web site that residents may experience discolorization and/or decreased water pressure while the work is being done. Source: http://www.app.com/article/20110707/NJNEWS/307060063/Wall-water-plantoperating-at-half-capacity-due-to-piping-problems-

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Public Health and Healthcare Sector

37. *July* 6, *Federal Bureau of Investigation* – (Maryland) **Gambrills podiatrist pleads guilty to fraudulently billing Medicare over \$1.1 million.** A podiatrist who operated his business from his home in Gambrills, Maryland, pleaded guilty to health care fraud and aggravated identity theft related to a scheme to fraudulently bill Medicare for more

than \$1.1 million. According to the doctor's plea agreement, since 1981 he has been a licensed podiatrist in Maryland and operated a podiatry practice under the business name, Chesapeake Wound Care Center. On October 30, 2007, he entered into a settlement agreement with the government to resolve allegations that from April 1, 2002 through October 11, 2004, he submitted 80 claims to Medicare for podiatry services purportedly provided at skilled nursing facilities when, in fact, the patients were actually in hospitals at the time the services were allegedly provided. As part of the settlement, the doctor agreed to be excluded from "Medicare, Medicaid, and all other Federal health care programs" for a period of 3 years. He faces a maximum penalty of 10 years in prison for health care fraud and a mandatory 2 years in prison, consecutive to any other sentence imposed, for aggravated identity theft. As part of his plea agreement, he has agreed to pay restitution of \$1,122,992.08.

Source: http://www.fbi.gov/baltimore/press-releases/2011/gambrills-podiatrist-pleads-guilty-to-fraudulently-billing-medicare-over-1.1-million

38. July 6, Naples Daily News — (Florida) 1 killed, 1 injured during shooting at Physicians Regional Hospital at Pine Ridge. A man entered a hospital patient's room and fatally shot his estranged wife before shooting and wounding himself around 5:40 p.m. July 5, Collier County, Florida, sheriff's officials said. A 53-year-old woman was killed while visiting a patient at Physician's Regional-Pine Ridge in Naples, a sheriff's office spokeswoman said. The shooter was a 54-year-old Naples man. After turning the gun on himself, the man was secured by hospital staff and transported by helicopter to another hospital. The hospital was shut down for about 2 hours following the shooting. The suspect was in intensive care that night. A motive for the shooting was not immediately known. It was also unclear whether the man and his estranged wife arrived at the patient's room together or separately. About a dozen sheriff's office patrol cars surrounded the hospital, and firefighters from North Naples and Golden Gate assisted. Source: http://www.naplesnews.com/news/2011/jul/05/shooting-reported-physicians-regional-hospital-pin/?partner=RSS

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Government Facilities Sector

39. *July 7, Assoicated Press* – (California) **Student arrested for allegedly setting fire that gutted Bloomington school's admin building.** Arson investigators said an 18-year-old Bloomington High School student was arrested for allegedly setting a May 21 fire that gutted the school's administration building. The San Bernando County deputy fire marshal told the San Bernardino Sun the student was arrested July 7 while attending a summer school class at the high school, located in Bloomington, California. He was booked for investigation of arson and burglary. Officials said the fire caused an estimated \$400,000 in damages, and displaced about 35 school employees. Source:

 $\frac{http://www.therepublic.com/view/story/6708ccd12478480381467dee78fb1a4f/CA-School-Fire-Arson/}{}$

40. *July 7, WFTV 9 Orlando* – (Florida) **FBI investigates 'Anonymous' hackers.** The hackers who have been bombarding the city of Orlando, Florida with cyberattacks, are now threatening the city's mayor and police officers. Police said members of the group Anonymous released a set of disturbing photos in their latest attack. The group posted two photos to their Twitter account. One shows the mayor 's home in the background. The second photo depicts two headless Orlando police officers, and a mask in the bottom right corner. The FBI was called to investigate who posted the images. Anonymous said its actions are in response to the city ordinance that restricts the number of times a group can feed the homeless at Lake Eola. The group said they are siding with Food Not Bombs, a homeless feeding organization. Orlando police are treating the photos as a threat. The department bolstered patrols around the mayor's home.

Source: http://www.wftv.com/countybycounty/28468987/detail.html

41. *July 7, Associated Press* – (Wisconsin) **Suspect in SD homicide planned to kill president.** The man arrested in Madison, Wisconsin after allegedly killing a 75-year-old woman in her Sioux Falls, South Dakota home is telling a television station he planned to travel to Washington, D.C., to kill the U.S. President. The suspect told WKOW-TV, he planned to kill the President while he was golfing. He cited the President's economic policies, but also said the President is controlled by aliens. Authorities said that hours before the suspect's interview July 6 with WKOW at the Dane County jail, a Secret Service agent interrogated him. The man faces first-degree murder and burglary charges in South Dakota for allegedly entering the home of a woman, killing her, and then fleeing in her vehicle.

Source: http://www.timesunion.com/news/article/Suspect-in-SD-homicide-planned-to-kill-president-1454424.php

42. *July 7, KABC 7 Los Angeles* – (California) **Pipe bomb found outside Orange County middle school.** An investigation is under way in Orange County, California after a pipe bomb was discovered outside a school. The device was found July 7 night next to the track at Cerro Villa Middle School in Villa Park. The bomb squad was called in to blow it up. Authorities said the pipe contained illegal fireworks. No one was hurt, and the area was not evacuated.

Source:

http://abclocal.go.com/kabc/story?section=news/local/orange_county&id=8236329

43. *July 7*, *Associated Press* – (New Mexico) **Military plane crashes, sparks N.M. brush fire.** A military fighter plane crashed July 6 in southern New Mexico after the pilot ejected safely, Air Force officials said. The QF-4 Phantom from Holloman Air Force Base crashed in grasslands southwest of Roswell near the community of Hope. The crash sparked a fire that burned 28 acres before it was contained. The pilot was in good condition, according to a statement from the commander of the 49th Wing. Base officials confirmed there was no live ammunition aboard the plane. The aircraft was assigned to and operated by Detachment 1, 82nd Aerial Target Squadron. The QF-4 is used as a target for weapons testing. It can be flown by remote control or with a pilot. Base officials said a safety board would be convened to investigate the crash.

Source: http://www.firehouse.com/topic/firefighter-safety/military-fighter-drone-crashes-new-mexico

44. *July 7, CNN* – (California) **1 Marine killed, 5 injured in helicopter crash.** One of the U.S. Marines injured in a helicopter crash in southern California has died, authorities said July 6. The Marine was among six who were rushed to hospitals after a UH-1Y (Huey) helicopter crashed in the northern section of Camp Pendleton July 6, a Marine Corps statement said. The other five were recuperating July 7. The helicopter, belonging to the 3rd Marine Aircraft Wing, crashed shortly before noon July 6 in the San Mateo Area of Camp Pendleton, southeast of San Clemente. Officials are investigating what caused the mishap.

Source:

http://www.cnn.com/2011/US/07/07/camp.pendleton.crash/index.html?hpt=us c2

45. July 6, Seattle Post-Intelligencer – (Illinois; Washington) UW firebombing suspect arrested after decade on the run. A 31-year-old fugitive suspected of building the bombs used to burn a University of Washington (UW) horticulture building in Seattle, Washington has been arrested in Chicago, Illinois. The fugitive — a purported Earth Liberation Front member not yet tried in the 2001 arson — was taken into federal custody July 6 after he was expelled from China. He was indicted along with five other purported ELF members accused with setting a fire that destroyed the UW Center for Urban Horticulture, doing \$6 million in damage to the facility. Federal prosecutors alleged he built the firebombs used in the ELF attack at an Olympia residence. He fled the country prior to his indictment, and had been serving a prison sentence in China for drug crimes prior to his arrival in the United States. Prosecutors claim the arson was part of a string of 17 attacks by the radical environmental group. The FBI investigation that followed — dubbed Operation Backfire by the bureau — saw 14 people convicted of the attacks; three others remain at large. Charged with a variety of related crimes, including bomb making and arson, the suspect is expected to be returned to Washington State.

 $Source: \underline{http://www.seattlepi.com/local/article/UW-firebombing-suspect-arrested-after-\underline{decade-on-1455374.php}$

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Emergency Services Sector

46. *July 7, Associated Press* – (North Carolina) **NC teens planned shoot-out that killed U.S. Marshal.** Court documents state two Kinston, North Carolina teenagers charged with first-degree murder in the death of a restaurant worker and a U.S. Marshal told a friend they preferred to "shoot it out with police" rather than go to prison. Court document show a 16-year-old suspect told a friend he was involved in the June 2 death of a kitchen worker and was prepared to resist arrest. The U.S. Marshal died June 9 from a gun blast through an apartment door as he and other officers searched a three-unit apartment building for the 16-year-old and other suspects. An 18-year-old, 26-

year-old, and three younger teens are charged with first-degree murder in his death. Source: http://www.myfox8.com/news/wghp-nc-kinston-teens-planned-shootout-110707,0,3519634.story?track=rss

47. *July 7, Chicago Tribune* – (Illinois) **Ill. hospital forms emergency ambulance joint venture.** Edward Hospital of Naperville, Illinois, and a Michigan-based emergency medical services company have formed a joint venture to provide ambulance services to the western and southwestern suburbs of Chicago, Illinois. Rather than using multiple ambulance services as they do now, Edward said providing its own ambulance services for non-911 calls will help provide better coordination of patient care. Edward Ambulance Services will begin operating 24 hours a day, seven days a week September 1. The service will also handle patient transfers from its hospital and affiliated health centers, as well as other area hospitals on request, Edward executives said. The joint venture will be hiring about 30 emergency medical technicians and paramedics who will be trained by Edward staff.

Source: http://www.emsworld.com/article/article.jsp?id=17552&siteSection=1

48. *July 6*, *Associated Press* – (North Dakota) **Device made from fireworks prompts evacuation of law enforcement center in North Dakota.** A resident caused a stir when he found a homemade explosive device near the Heart River and brought it into the law enforcement center in Mandan, North Dakota. The Bismarck Tribune reported the Mandan Law Enforcement Center was evacuated for about an hour and a half July 5 while the police bomb squad from neighboring Bismarck was called in. The bomb squad dismantled the device and no one was hurt. Police said it appears someone made the device out of "a large amount" of fireworks, and that it had the potential to cause serious injuries.

Source:

http://www.therepublic.com/view/story/9e89f3fdbe684c37a24ea3c0064ff73a/ND-Explosive-Evacuation/

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Information Technology Sector

49. *July 7, H Security* – (International) **Even more Siemens industry control systems vulnerable.** The U.S. Industrial Control Systems Cyber Emergency Response Team (ICS-CERT) issued a warning explaining the recently reported replay attacks on control systems (Programmable Logic Controllers or PLCs) sold by Siemens affect more models than previously believed, H Security reported July 7. In such attacks, attackers can get access to the automation network and send unauthorized commands to a PLC, allowing them to shut it down. PLCs are used for automated or electromechanical processes in chemical, energy, nuclear, and manufacturing plants. In mid-June, Siemens said it believed its SIMATIC S7-1200, a relatively rarely used system, was the only one vulnerable. Now, it appears the very popular SIMATIC S7-200, S7-300, and S7-400 are also vulnerable. Attackers are able to sniff the traffic between PLCs and

other systems and replay packets (with commands) later. According to the report, the attack partly works because the International Organization for Standardization Transport Service Access Point (ISO-TSAP) protocol used for communication does not support authentication or encryption. ICS-CERT said such communication protocols for industry were designed to be open. The lack of security functions was not a problem in the past because of the closed environments such systems are used in, but such systems are increasingly networked, which increases the risk. In its warning, ICS-CERT did not say whether the devices are also vulnerable to the DoS hole reported for the S7-1200. Siemens and ICS-CERT said they are working to solve the problem. Siemens recommended blocking external access to PROFIBUS, MPI, and PROFINET. Source: http://www.h-online.com/security/news/item/Even-more-Siemens-industry-control-systems-vulnerable-1275226.html

50. July 7, IDG News Service – (International) Apple developing fixes for dangerous iOS vulnerabilities. Apple said July 7 it is developing a fix for vulnerabilities that affect its iPhone, iPad, and some iPod touch models, a problem that the German government warned could be used to steal confidential data. The vulnerabilities became publicized with a new release July 6 of JailbreakMe 3.0, a framework that allows unauthorized applications to be installed in devices such as the iPhone. Apple prohibits the installation of applications that have not been approved for distribution in its App Store. However, hackers exploit vulnerabilities in the iOS operating system that allow the phones to be "jailbroken," allowing applications not vetted by Apple to be used that are obtained through alternative application markets, such as Cydia. Germany's Federal Office for Information Security (BSI) issued an alert July 6 about the vulnerabilities, which it said could be exploited if a user opened a specially crafted PDF document. The issue involves how the iOS parses fronts within the mobile version of the Safari browser. There is also a second vulnerability that circumvents address space layout randomization (ASLR), a security feature which mixes up how programs are loaded into memory and makes it more difficult for an attacker. BSI noted it would be possible for an attacker using the flaws to steal passwords, banking data, and e-mails, as well as have access to built-in cameras, intercept telephone calls, and obtain the GPS coordinates of a user.

Source:

http://www.computerworld.com/s/article/9218233/Apple_developing_fixes_for_danger ous iOS vulnerabilities

51. July 7, Softpedia – (International) Mobile phishing attacks use fake WAP pages. Security researchers from Symantec spotted phishing attacks that target mobile users and make use of fake Wireless Application Protocol (WAP) pages for popular services. Mobile phishing is not very widespread currently, but the number of attacks continues to grow due to the increased popularity of smartphones. Many companies offer a version of their Web sites for mobile devices. These can be designed for smartphones or as WAP pages for old feature phones that do not have advanced browsers. WAP pages use a reduced number of Web technologies, mainly XHTML, and almost no graphics, to reduce traffic because WAP speeds are very restricted. "Symantec has recorded phishing sites spoofing such Web pages and has monitored the trend. In June, social networking and information services brands were observed in

these phishing sites," the company warned.

Source: http://news.softpedia.com/news/Mobile-Phishing-Attacks-Use-Fake-WAP-Pages-210348.shtml

52. July 6, msnbc.com – (International) Unpatched WordPress blogs distribute malware. WordPress recently released the latest version of its software, WordPress 3.2, which comes with a steeper security update than previous versions. However, a Sophos researcher issued a caution: "As big a step forward as this is, however, it doesn't bring Web hosts nearly close enough to versions of PHP and MySQL that could be considered safe to use." The researcher investigated blogs that were hacked into and used to distribute malware. SophosLabs identified about 30 sites festering with infections, and the researcher sought to detect any patterns that made them vulnerable. He found the 10 older versions of WordPress were not only out of date, but also crammed with many known vulnerabilities. The only current patched version — aside from the new 3.2 — is 3.1.4.

Source: http://technolog.msnbc.msn.com/ news/2011/07/06/7025538-unpatched-wordpress-blogs-distribute-malware

53. July 6, Softpedia – (International) New rootkit infects NTFS loader. Security researchers from Kaspersky Lab identified a new piece of malware that writes malicious code to the NTFS boot loader. The threat which Kaspersky detects as Cidox, features two rootkit drivers, one for 32-bit versions of Windows, and one for 64-bit ones. As part of its infection routine, Cidox determines the version of the operating system and copies the relevant driver to empty sectors at the beginning of the drive. It only infects NTFS partitions, and determines the active one by looking at MBR code. It then proceeds to replace the Extended NTFS initial program loader (IPL) code. The original one is encrypted and saved at the end. This is part of a special technique that leverages Windows kernel features to load the malicious driver into the system. The driver has the purpose of hooking into several processes including svchost.exe, iexplore.exe, firefox.exe, opera.exe, and chrome.exe via a special Dynamic-link library. Source: http://news.softpedia.com/news/New-Rootkit-Infects-NTFS-Loader-210135.shtml

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Communications Sector

54. July 7, Kalispell Daily Inter Lake – (Washington; Montana; Idaho) Phone service goes out for six hours. Telephone service throughout Flathead and Lake counties in Montana was interrupted for about 6 hours July 6 after a CenturyLink fiber-optic line near the naval base at Bremerton, Washington, was cut. Phone service in Kalispell went out between 9 and 10 a.m. and was restored at 3:20 p.m. Service in the two counties was restored in an area-by-area process, but by 4 p.m., a CenturyLink spokesman said all areas were back online. Late July 6, he said company officials still had not been able to learn how the line had been cut. People in Washington, Idaho, and the two Montana counties were affected by the outage. Land lines and cellphones were affected, the spokesman said. Internet service was not affected, nor was there any interruption to the local 911 system or other emergency telephone services, he said. Most customers were still able to make local calls, he added. CenturyLink workers installed 1,000 feet of new cable to replace the damaged line.

Source: http://www.dailyinterlake.com/news/local_montana/article_50043a7e-a7fa-11e0-aef6-001cc4c002e0.html

55. July 6, Wilmington Star-News – (North Carolina) Wilmington Christian radio station goes off air after copper theft. Wilmington, North Carolina's Life 90.5 FM radio station went off the air for about a day and a half July 3 to July 5 after thieves took copper from an air conditioning unit. The theft occurred July 3 at a transmitter location near Brunswick Forest, and the heat was quickly building by July 4, said the vice president of Carolina Christian Radio. That caused the station to shut down its equipment so it would not overheat. Since it was the July 4 holiday, no one was available to fix the unit immediately, he said. The station was on the air again by about 12 p.m. July 5, he said, noting a police report was filed July 4 with the Brunswick County Sheriff's Office. No arrests have been announced yet. Source: http://yellowtape.blogs.starnewsonline.com/15903/christian-radio-station-goes-

off-air-after-copper-theft/

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Commercial Facilities Sector

56. July 7, WDAF 4 Kansas City – (Kansas) Kansas City, Kan., fire destroys apartment, **businesses.** Eighteen people are homeless after an apartment fire July 7 in Kansas City, Kansas. The fire occurred at the Grandview Building located at 14th and Central. Firefighters were called to the scene around 12:40 a.m. and saw heavy flames coming from the roof area. The lower level of the building was designated for businesses, but the upper two floors were apartments. The owner of the building told the deputy fire chief everyone was accounted for and that no one suffered any injuries. Firefighters were forced to fight the fire in a defense mode. One firefighter suffered minor injuries to his ankle but was expected to be OK. Streets in the area were also closed to traffic. The cause of the fire is unknown, and firefighters remained on the scene at 6 a.m. July 7.

Source: http://www.fox4kc.com/news/wdaf-apartment-fire-kansas-city-kan-fire-destroys-apartment-businesses-20110707,0,6420707.story

57. July 7, Associated Press – (Vermont) Lightning sets fire that burns Vt. church's meeting hall. The meeting hall at the Holy Family Roman Catholic Church in Essex Junction, Vermont was hit by lightning July 6. The fire that followed destroyed the 100-year-old recently renovated former barn that served as the meeting hall. The Burlington Free Press reported the Essex Junction fire was one of five July 6 in the area blamed on lightning from a series of violent storms.

Source:

 $\frac{http://www.therepublic.com/view/story/f5002610877c4757ade20cce7ad1f521/VT--Church-Building-Fire/}{}$

- 58. *July* 6, *WLEX* 18 *Lexington* (Kentucky) **Man police say poured chemicals into public pool arrested.** Police said they arrested a Boone County, Kentucky man who they say poured a dyeing chemical customarily used in lakes into a public pool, turning the water dark blue. The incident happened sometime between late July 2 and early July 3 at a pool in the Hanover Park subdivision in Burlington. Police said the chemical, which they did not disclose, had a concentration that eventually caused the water to turn black and stained the inside of the pool, causing it to be drained. Police said they arrested a 19-year-old in the case July 3. He was charged with first-degree criminal mischief. He was held on a \$1,000 bond, but has since been released. Source: http://www.lex18.com/news/man-police-say-poured-chemicals-into-public-pool-arrested
- 59. July 6, CNET (International) Washington Post says job seeker data was breached. About 1.27 million user IDs and e-mail addresses belonging to people looking for employment on The Washington Post Jobs Web site were affected by a data breach the week of June 30, the newspaper said. "We discovered that an unauthorized third party attacked our Jobs Web site and was able to obtain access to certain user IDs and e-mail addresses. No passwords or other personal information was affected," the company said in a notice on its site. "We are taking this incident very seriously. We quickly identified the vulnerability and shut it down, and are pursuing the matter with law enforcement. We sincerely apologize for this inconvenience." The attack happened June 27 and June 28, the statement said, adding that the accounts on the site remain secure. The company said affected people may get spam and warned them to be wary of unsolicited e-mails that could be phishing attacks designed to steal passwords and other data. For instance, hackers could send e-mails purporting to be from The Washington Post that trick recipients to reveal their passwords or credit card information.

Source: http://news.cnet.com/8301-27080_3-20077388-245/washington-post-says-jobseeker-data-was-breached/

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60. July 6, Sausalito Marin Scope – (California) Eradication nets 12,900 pot plants. Local, state, and federal law enforcement officials got an early start July 2 on the eradication of clandestine marijuana-growing sites on Mount Tamalpais in Marin County, California, confiscating an estimated 12,900 immature plants, a spokesman said. Rangers with the Marin Municipal Water District were joined by members of the California Department of Justice, the National Park Service, and the U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration in sweeping through several outdoor grow sites on the Mount Tamalpais watershed. The operation began at 6:30 a.m. and concluded by 2 p.m. All of the plants were considered immature since it is early in the harvest season for marijuana. If allowed to grow to maturity, the haul would be estimated at about \$30 million. A lieutenant with the Marin County Sheriff's Office said the confiscated pot was destroyed where it was found instead of using helicopters to transport out large bundles of the illegal plant.

Source:

http://marinscope.com/articles/2011/07/06/sausalito_marin_scope/news/doc4e14b980074fd168492374.txt

61. July 6, Reuters – (New Mexico) Firefighters battle blaze near sacred Indian mountain. The Las Conchas wildfire July 6 closed in on sacred Indian lands in Rio Arriba County, New Mexico, burning less than a mile away from the Chicoma Mountain, considered a spiritual center for Pueblo Indians. Firefighters hoped to steer the fire around the 11,500-foot mountain, a prominent peak in the Jemez range, a Santa Clara Pueblo tribe spokesman said. But the winds were not working in firefighters' favor. The fire, which lapped at the edges of the Los Alamos nuclear complex and forced its temporary closure the week of June 30, has consumed more than 130,000 acres, including about 20,000 on the Santa Clara Pueblo reservation in north-central New Mexico, which encompasses Chicoma Mountain. Forestry officials said firefighters had managed to contain 30 percent of the overall burning. But the fire has moved steadily northeast, scorching more than 80 percent of Santa Clara's forested lands. The fire is the largest wild-lands fire recorded in New Mexico. It has destroyed 63 homes, and 32 other buildings.

Source: http://www.reuters.com/article/2011/07/07/us-wildfires-new-mexico-idUSTRE7660P620110707

62. *July* 6, *San Angelo Standard-Times* – (Texas) **Fire north of Robert Lee burns 3,500 acres.** Firefighters were called July 6 to help battle a fire about 9 miles north of Robert Lee near Highway 208 in San Angelo, Texas. The Texas Forest Service (TFS) reported the fire, dubbed the Malone Fire, had consumed 3,500 acres and was about 10 percent contained as of the evening of July 6. The fire was on the side of a hill, a TFS dispatcher said. Air support, including a heavy tanker, was dispatched to the fire. It was moving away from Highway 208. Firefighters from Coke, Tom Green, and other counties were fighting the Malone Fire. "It's showing very active fire behavior with 30-foot flame lengths," a TFS staff member said. No cause has been determined. A fire in Sutton County was reported to be 75 percent contained after having burned through more than 800 acres, according to the TFS. That fire started after a lightning strike, and

fire departments started fighting it July 4.

Source: http://www.gosanangelo.com/news/2011/jul/06/wildfire-being-fought-north-of-robert-lee/

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63. July 6, Kansas City Star – (Missouri) Battle against Missouri River flooding shifts east. Flood-fighting efforts continued July 6 in Carroll County, Missouri, between Kansas City and Columbia, as the battle against the Missouri River advanced downstream. Flooding also forced Amtrak to temporarily suspend some traffic between Kansas City and St. Louis. "They've got a section of the levee that has sloughed off and is sliding into the river," said the president of the Missouri Levee and Drainage District Association. "If that levee fails, then it'll cover Highway 65 and shut off the road between Carrolton and Waverly." State officials reported floodwaters nearly overran levees in neighboring Ray County, and sandbagging and levee repairs continued near Orrick and Hardin. The levee and drainage district president predicted the effect in mid-Missouri would not likely be as harsh as it had been north of Kansas City, where powerful, prolonged releases from overwhelmed dams effectively guaranteed a summer-long flood along the river.

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